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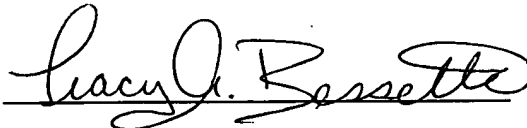
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Enclosed is/are:

- ☒ Transmittal Letter (this form, 2 pages, in duplicate), Total Pages: 4;
- ☒ Response to Restriction Requirement, Total Pages: 3;
- ☒ Return Receipt Pre-paid Postcard (in duplicate), Total Postcards: 2;
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Fee amounts are calculated as follows:

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Total Claims	22	- 38	0	X \$50.00	= \$ 0.00
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					= \$0.00

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If the enclosed papers or fees are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (508) 616-2900, in Westborough, Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted,



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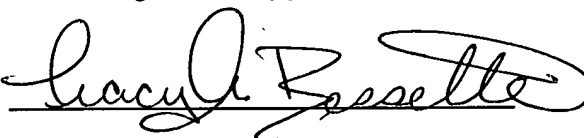
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed on June 20, 2006 in connection with the above-identified Application.

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Claims 1-10 and 39-50 are pending in this Application.

The Office Action indicated that the present application contains claims directed to the following species of the claimed invention: Group I (Claim 42), Group II (Claims 43 and 45), Group III (Claim 44), Group IV (Claims 46-49), and Group V (Claim 50). The Office Action has required the Applicants elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which prosecution shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held allowable. The Office Action indicates that claims 1-10 and 39-41 are generic.

The Applicants elect, without traverse, the claims of Group IV, i.e., Claims 46-49.

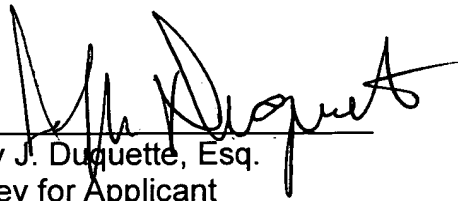
The Applicants expressly reserve the right to pursue claims of at least the scope of the non-elected claims (i.e., claims 42-45 and 50) in one or more related Applications.

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An early and favorable communication is hereby earnestly requested. If the Examiner believes, after this Response, that the Application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicants' Representative collect at (508) 616-2900, in Westborough, Massachusetts.

The Applicants hereby petition for any extension of time which is required to maintain the pendency of this case. If there is a fee occasioned by this Response, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-3661.

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